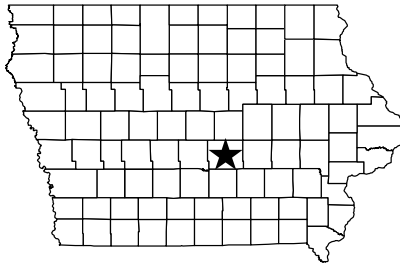


# Older Iowans Data for Decision Makers



## Jasper County

### Population Profile

Jasper County is a non-metropolitan county in central Iowa. The total population in the county increased 6.9 percent from 1990 to 2000. At the same time, the population 55 years or older increased 3.8 percent. Statewide, total population increased 5.4 percent and the population over the age of 54 increased 2.6 percent during that period. Females consistently outnumbered males in the older age groups.

#### 1. Population 55 years or older

|                        | Jasper County |        |        | State     |           |           |
|------------------------|---------------|--------|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                        | 1980          | 1990   | 2000   | 1980      | 1990      | 2000      |
| Total population       | 36,425        | 34,795 | 37,213 | 2,913,808 | 2,776,755 | 2,926,324 |
| Percent 55 or older    | 24.0          | 26.4   | 25.6   | 22.9      | 24.3      | 23.7      |
| Population 55 or older | 8,747         | 9,178  | 9,528  | 666,509   | 675,794   | 693,625   |
| 55 to 59               | 1,985         | 1,717  | 1,880  | 145,854   | 122,335   | 139,052   |
| 60 to 64               | 1,795         | 1,915  | 1,685  | 133,071   | 127,353   | 118,360   |
| 65 to 69               | 1,563         | 1,613  | 1,488  | 117,905   | 122,454   | 107,373   |
| 70 to 74               | 1,252         | 1,399  | 1,558  | 96,949    | 104,507   | 104,562   |
| 75 to 79               | 973           | 1,107  | 1,202  | 75,104    | 84,486    | 91,505    |
| 80 to 84               | 626           | 793    | 912    | 52,686    | 59,404    | 67,655    |
| 85 or older            | 553           | 634    | 803    | 44,940    | 55,255    | 65,118    |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 1.

#### 2. Population 55 years or older by sex, Jasper County

|                        | 1990  |       |      |        |      | 2000  |       |      |        |      |
|------------------------|-------|-------|------|--------|------|-------|-------|------|--------|------|
|                        | Total | Male  |      | Female |      | Total | Male  |      | Female |      |
|                        |       | n     | %    | n      | %    |       | n     | %    | n      | %    |
| Population 55 or older | 9,178 | 3,996 | 43.5 | 5,182  | 56.5 | 9,528 | 4,207 | 44.2 | 5,321  | 55.8 |
| 55 to 59               | 1,717 | 812   | 8.8  | 905    | 9.9  | 1,880 | 948   | 9.9  | 932    | 9.8  |
| 60 to 64               | 1,915 | 924   | 10.1 | 991    | 10.8 | 1,685 | 777   | 8.2  | 908    | 9.5  |
| 65 to 69               | 1,613 | 736   | 8.0  | 877    | 9.6  | 1,488 | 709   | 7.4  | 779    | 8.2  |
| 70 to 74               | 1,399 | 620   | 6.8  | 779    | 8.5  | 1,558 | 700   | 7.3  | 858    | 9.0  |
| 75 to 79               | 1,107 | 462   | 5.0  | 645    | 7.0  | 1,202 | 497   | 5.2  | 705    | 7.4  |
| 80 to 84               | 793   | 280   | 3.1  | 513    | 5.6  | 912   | 355   | 3.7  | 557    | 5.8  |
| 85 or older            | 634   | 162   | 1.8  | 472    | 5.1  | 803   | 221   | 2.3  | 582    | 6.1  |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 1.

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## Living Arrangement Profile

The majority of older persons in Jasper County lived in family households in 2000, which means they lived with at least one other person related by blood, marriage, or adoption. Among the 1,806 older persons living in nonfamily households in Jasper County, 96.2 percent were persons living alone, the majority of which were female. Relatively few older residents lived in group quarter settings (e.g., nursing homes).

### 3. Living arrangements of persons 65 years or older, 2000

|                                 | Jasper County |       | State |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|
|                                 | n             | %     | %     |
| Total persons 65 years or older | 5,963         | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Living in family households     | 3,699         | 62.0  | 60.1  |
| Living in nonfamily households  | 1,806         | 30.3  | 31.5  |
| Males living alone              | 372           | ---   | ---   |
| Females living alone            | 1,365         | ---   | ---   |
| Living in group quarters        | 458           | 7.7   | 8.4   |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 1.

## Education and Employment Profile

Among residents in Jasper County age 65 or older in 2000, 70 percent had at least a high school diploma and 9.3 percent had graduated college. Statewide, the percentages were 70.6 and 11.5, respectively.

### 4. Educational attainment of persons 65 years or older, 2000

|                                 | Jasper County |       | State |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|
|                                 | n             | %     | %     |
| Total persons 65 years or older | 5,964         | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Less than high school           | 1,787         | 30.0  | 29.4  |
| High school graduate            | 2,713         | 45.5  | 42.0  |
| Less than 4 years college       | 907           | 15.2  | 17.1  |
| 4 or more years college         | 557           | 9.3   | 11.5  |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 3.

Two statistics are important when considering employment among older lowans; labor force participation and employment. Although the number of older lowans participating in the labor force declined steadily with age in 2000, the proportion of labor force participants employed remained quite high.

### 5. Labor force participation and employment for persons 65 years or older, 2000

|                                 | Population 65 Years or Older |       |        | In the Civilian Labor Force |      |        | Number Employed |      |        |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|--------|-----------------------------|------|--------|-----------------|------|--------|
|                                 | Total                        | Male  | Female | Total                       | Male | Female | Total           | Male | Female |
| Jasper County                   |                              |       |        |                             |      |        |                 |      |        |
| Total persons 65 years or older | 5,964                        | 2,475 | 3,489  | 891                         | 505  | 386    | 888             | 505  | 383    |
| Persons 65 to 69                | 1,598                        | 760   | 838    | 488                         | 249  | 239    | 488             | 249  | 239    |
| Persons 70 to 74                | 1,457                        | 645   | 812    | 214                         | 137  | 77     | 211             | 137  | 74     |
| Persons 75 or older             | 2,909                        | 1,070 | 1,839  | 189                         | 119  | 70     | 189             | 119  | 70     |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 3.

## Income and Poverty Profile

Median household income among householders 65 to 74 years of age in Jasper County was \$29,529 in 1999, compared to the \$22,690 median of householders 75 years or age or older. Statewide these medians were \$29,804 and \$21,230, respectively. In most cases median income in nonfamily households were lower.

### 6. Median household income (\$) by age of householder, 1999

|  | Jasper County | State  |
|--|---------------|--------|
| Median household income (\$)                           | 41,683        | 39,469 |
| Householder 65 to 74 years (\$)                        | 29,529        | 29,804 |
| Householder 75 or older (\$)                           | 22,690        | 21,230 |
| Median nonfamily household income (\$)                 | 23,052        | 22,454 |
| Male householder 65 years or older living alone (\$)   | 23,958        | 18,759 |
| Female householder 65 years or older living alone (\$) | 15,566        | 15,101 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 3.

In 2000, 7 percent of the persons 65 or older in Jasper County lived below the poverty line compared to 7.7 percent statewide. Poverty rates tended to be higher among older females than among older males both in the county and across the state. NOTE: poverty rates are not determined for nursing home residents.

### 7. Poverty status for persons 65 years or older, 1999

|  | Total         |                | Male          |                |                | Female |                |                |      |
|--|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------|----------------|----------------|------|
|  | Jasper County | State          | Jasper County | State          | Jasper County  | State  | Jasper County  | State          |      |
|  | n             | % of age group | n             | % of age group | % of age group | n      | % of age group | % of age group |      |
| Total persons 65 years or older in poverty | 382           | 7.0            | 7.7           | 135            | 5.9            | 5.1    | 247            | 7.7            | 9.6  |
| Persons 65 to 74                           | 195           | 6.4            | 5.6           | 85             | 6.1            | 4.4    | 110            | 6.7            | 6.6  |
| Persons 75 or older                        | 187           | 7.6            | 10.0          | 50             | 5.6            | 6.2    | 137            | 8.7            | 12.3 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 3.

## Housing Profile

Among the 14,689 occupied housing units in Jasper County, 26.4 percent were headed by a person 55 years of age or older. Statewide that percentage was 24.5. The vast majority of these householders owned their homes rather than rented—both in the county and across the state.

### 8. Tenure of occupied housing units with householders 65 years or older, 2000

|                                      | Total Occupied Units |       | Owner-Occupied |       |               | Renter-Occupied |               |       |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-------|
|                                      | Jasper County        | State | Jasper County  | State | Jasper County | State           | Jasper County | State |
|                                      | n                    | %     | n              | %     | %             | n               | %             | %     |
| Total householders 65 years or older | 3,872                | 100.0 | 3,068          | 79.2  | 80.0          | 804             | 20.8          | 20.0  |
| Householder 65 to 74 years           | 1,973                | 100.0 | 1,649          | 83.6  | 85.2          | 324             | 16.4          | 14.8  |
| Householder 75 to 84 years           | 1,432                | 100.0 | 1,095          | 76.5  | 78.4          | 337             | 23.5          | 21.6  |
| Householder 85 years or older        | 467                  | 100.0 | 324            | 69.4  | 66.0          | 143             | 30.6          | 34.0  |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 3.

## Housing Profile (continued)

Older populations tend to be less likely to change residence than younger persons; therefore they are likely to have lived in their current housing unit for longer periods of time and those housing units tend to be older units. This is especially true for older homeowners. It should be noted that "assisted living" quarters are included in the renter-occupied numbers.

### 9. Age of housing units with householders 65 years or older, 2000

|                                      | Total         |       | Owner-Occupied |       |       | Renter-Occupied |       |       |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------|----------------|-------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|
|                                      | Jasper County |       | Jasper County  |       | State | Jasper County   |       | State |
|                                      | n             | %     | n              | %     | %     | n               | %     | %     |
| Total householders 65 years or older | 3,872         | 100.0 | 3,068          | 100.0 | 100.0 | 804             | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Housing units 10 or fewer years old  | 377           | 9.7   | 241            | 7.9   | 6.6   | 136             | 16.9  | 13.6  |
| Housing units 40 or more years old   | 2,112         | 54.5  | 1,846          | 60.2  | 59.9  | 266             | 33.1  | 34.8  |
| Moved into unit since 1990           | 1,288         | 33.3  | 762            | 24.8  | 21.9  | 526             | 65.4  | 67.8  |
| Moved into unit 1969 or earlier      | 1,329         | 34.3  | 1,287          | 41.9  | 43.7  | 42              | 5.2   | 7.7   |
| Householders 65 to 74 years old      | 1,973         | 100.0 | 1,649          | 100.0 | 100.0 | 324             | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Housing units 10 or fewer years old  | 155           | 7.9   | 101            | 6.1   | 7.9   | 54              | 16.7  | 12.0  |
| Housing units 40 or more years old   | 1,061         | 53.8  | 943            | 57.2  | 56.6  | 118             | 36.4  | 41.5  |
| Moved into unit since 1990           | 685           | 34.7  | 468            | 28.4  | 25.7  | 217             | 67.0  | 72.3  |
| Moved into unit 1969 or earlier      | 658           | 33.4  | 632            | 38.3  | 39.0  | 26              | 8.0   | 7.3   |
| Householders 75 years or older       | 1,899         | 100.0 | 1,419          | 100.0 | 100.0 | 480             | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Housing units 10 or fewer years old  | 222           | 11.7  | 140            | 9.9   | 5.3   | 82              | 17.1  | 14.5  |
| Housing units 40 or more years old   | 1,051         | 55.3  | 903            | 63.6  | 63.4  | 148             | 30.8  | 31.2  |
| Moved into unit since 1990           | 603           | 31.8  | 294            | 20.7  | 17.9  | 309             | 64.4  | 65.3  |
| Moved into unit 1969 or earlier      | 671           | 35.3  | 655            | 46.2  | 48.6  | 16              | 3.3   | 7.9   |

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